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## WHERE SHALL THE BLAME REST?

Now that two lives have been sacrificed, perhaps the need of a wharf at Lahaina will be sufficiently emphasized to really accomplish this much talked of improvement. Two years ago the legislature appropriated \$150,000 from loan fund money, to build a suitable landing. The present administration declined to sanction the expenditure and no action was taken. Last week the legislature reappropriated the money, cutting out the Lahaina item entirely. And then a ship's boat overturns in the surf. Two innocent victims give up their lives and a dozen others escape death as by a miracle. And who is to blame? The Inter-Island Steamship Company will probably be the goat in that it will possibly be held for heavy damages by relatives of the two unfortunates; but the Territorial officials, who have been willing to sanction such risk at a port of the importance of Lahaina, on the ground that present traffic would not justify a wharf expenditure, are certainly not blameless. The accident was not unexpected for Lahaina folk. A dozen times in the past year have landings been made when the peril was manifest to everybody who witnessed them. And now this disaster comes when the sea is comparatively smooth. It is futile to try to place the responsibility on the boat's crew. Such an accident should not be possible.

There is very deep feeling over this tragedy here on Maui. There will be a like feeling all over the Territory when the people learn of it. For the Honolulu press has evidently suppressed this news on account of the presence of the congressional visitors, incredible as this may seem. Because, as was to be expected, the story, in wondrously garbled form, was already known to the visitors when they reached Maui, and they knew all about it before they left, without reading a line on the subject. One would imagine that the Honolulu papers had gotten past the stage when they could be prevented from giving the news on that old, old fallacy that vital facts can be suppressed or are minimized in some manner by not being frankly told. Maui people are also disappointed by this stand, for they had every reason to expect the strong championship of the entire press of Hawaii in their efforts to get some improvement for the situation at Lahaina. Perhaps, however, it is only a case of suspended animation which will pass when the congressmen are out of the way.

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## A BIG STRIDE IN PROMOTION WORK.

The Hawaii Promotion Committee has taken a course that should add much to its efficiency, and to a better understanding and consequent teamwork of the Islands in promotion matters. It has recommended to its parent body, the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, the amendment of the Chamber's by-laws to permit the inclusion of one real member of the promotion committee from each of the several islands outside of Honolulu. The directors of the chamber have already adopted the recommendation unanimously, and at the next members' meeting, in a few weeks, the matter will be passed upon finally. It is declared that it is as good as settled now, since there is no doubt that the action of the directors will be ratified.

As soon as this new arrangement is effected, the Maui Chamber of Commerce will be asked to name a representative, either on Maui or some one in Honolulu, who will be in every sense a member of the promotion committee. With a member each of Kauai and Hawaii, the committee will then consist of eight instead of five as at present.

The Committee further plans to get in closer touch with every part of the territory, by having a resolution adopted requiring the holding of one meeting each quarter on some island outside of Oahu. Thus in the course of nine months a meeting will have been held on all of the Islands. These meetings, it is proposed, shall really be small conventions and cover a period of from several days to a week. Their aim will be to get the members thoroughly familiar with all features of the territory, and in closest kind of touch with public sentiment along promotion lines.

There is no question at all that these plans will arouse interest in the work of advertising the islands as it could be aroused in no other way. It will be highly educational; and of a practical kind. It will not be any longer a matter of "being taken care of," or of taxation without representation; for Maui and every island will be in position to see that their interests are not neglected. The idea is the best one that has been suggested since the organization of promotion work in the territory.

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## A BLUFF THAT SHOULD BE CALLED.

Two men forced their way into the baseball park last Sunday and refused to pay for the privilege of seeing the game. One of them, however, hadn't the nerve to see the thing through, or else got ashamed of himself and finally did come across with his two bits. The other, however, brazened it out. It was a pretty small thing to do. It is plain that there couldn't be any baseball on Maui unless an admission is charged. As it is the association generally closes the season in the hole financially. But Maui likes the game and has always shown a willingness to pay the very moderate price asked to see it. It is a question whether or not the league can legally compel spectators to pay, but it ought to give the next cheap sport a chance to test the law by promptly putting him out. It would also give the seeker for knowledge a chance to find out what the community thinks of him.

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## HOW HAWAII WILL BENEFIT.

It is not to be expected that the visiting members of Congress will be able to give attention to the thousand and one things that are being forced upon their attention, however important these matters may be locally. They will be more than human, if their minds are not in more or less of a daze when they leave the Islands, with the mass of impressions and data that is overwhelming them. Where Hawaii may expect to profit by this junket, however, is when matters Hawaiian come before Congress by attention from time to time. Then will our visitors be in position to act with some approach to intelligence from the knowledge they are now acquiring.

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## ONION DAY—MAY 15.

"Onion Day," is the latest idea. Whether you like onions or not, you are expected to buy at least a peck of the succulent tear-starters and eat them next Saturday. Of course they must be Hawaiian onions. The idea is to help out the Island onion growers who have been unable to dispose of their crop this year on account of a glut of California onions. It is a feature of the "Buy-in-Hawaii" movement.

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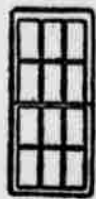
Some foolish folk really thought that the Congressional delegation had been invited here to see things as they are. They certainly didn't expect the two Honolulu papers to pass up live news for the sake of trying to make the visitors think our landings are perfectly safe.

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To turn down a resignation and urge a man to reconsider his decision, and then try to shove him upon the shelf, is evidently some people's idea of fair play. Witness the exhibition the promotion committee is making of itself in connection with Secretary Wood.

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10 in. x 12 in.....	2 ft. 10 in. x 4 ft. 6 in.
10 in. x 14 in.....	2 ft. 10 in. x 5 ft. 2 in.
10 in. x 16 in.....	2 ft. 10 in. x 5 ft. 10 in.
12 in. x 16 in.....	3 ft. 4 in. x 5 ft. 2 in.
12 in. x 18 in.....	3 ft. 4 in. x 6 ft. 6 in.

### Twelve Light-Check Rail-1 3-8" Thick Glazed-Single Strength Glass

Size of Glass	Opening.
8 in. x 10 in.....	2 ft. 4½ in. x 3 ft. 10 in.
10 in. x 12 in.....	2 ft. 10½ in. x 4 ft. 6 in.
10 in. x 16 in.....	2 ft. 10½ in. x 5 ft. 2 in.
12 in. x 16 in.....	3 ft. 4½ in. x 5 ft. 2 in.
12 in. x 18 in.....	3 ft. 4½ in. x 6 ft. 6 in.

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Size of Glass	Opening.
15 in. x 28 in.....	2 ft. 11 in. x 5 ft. 2 in.
15 in. x 30 in.....	2 ft. 11 in. x 5 ft. 6 in.
15 in. x 32 in.....	2 ft. 11 in. x 5 ft. 10 in.
15 in. x 36 in.....	2 ft. 11 in. x 6 ft. 6 in.

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Size of Glass	Opening.
28 in. x 24 in.....	2 ft. 8½ in. x 4 ft. 6 in.
28 in. x 32 in.....	2 ft. 8½ in. x 5 ft. 10 in.
30 in. x 30 in.....	2 ft. 10½ in. x 5 ft. 6 in.
30 in. x 36 in.....	2 ft. 10½ in. x 6 ft. 6 in.

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